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BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY (BATA)
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
February 11, 2009
MINUTES

Attendance

Chair Dodd convened the meeting at 9:36 a.m. In addition to Ex-Officio Dodd, the following Committee members were in attendance: BATA Oversight Committee Chair Steve Kinsey, Vice Chair Dave Cortese, Tom Bates, Chris Daly, Federal Glover, Jake Mackenzie, Bijan Sartipi, Adrienne Tissier, other Commissioners in attendance: Dean Chu, Scott Haggerty, Anne Halsted, Sue Lempert, Jon Rubin, Jim Spering, Amy Worth, and Ken Yeager.

Consent Calendar

Four (4) items were unanimously approved on the Consent Calendar.

Minutes of the January 14, 2009 meeting

Meeting minutes of the January 14, 2009 were unanimously approved.

BATA Financial Statements – December 2008

The Committee received the December 2008 BATA Financial Statements.

<u>Change Order #16 – Upgrade of the Customer Service Center Phone System</u>
The Committee unanimously approved authorizing the Executive Director or his designee to negotiate and enter into a change order with ACS State and Local Solutions in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 for an upgrade of the automated phone system for the Customer Service Center project.

Allocation Transfer of \$250,000 in seismic Retrofit Program funds for Permit Monitoring on the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge East Span Replacement Project - BATA Resolution No. 79, Revised

The Committee unanimously approved forwarding to the Authority an allocation of \$250,000 in seismic retrofit program funds for permit monitoring on the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge East Span Replacement project.

<u>Authorize MTC to Request Proposition 1B – State Local Partnership Program Funds – BATA Resolution No. 83</u>

The Committee unanimously approved forwarding to the Authority authorization for MTC to request proposition 1B – State Local Partnership Program Funds.

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Regional Measure 1 (RM 1) and Toll Bridge Seismic Program (SRP) Monthly Progress Report Mr. Peter Lee, BATA staff, distributed and presented the RM 1 and SRP progress report to the Committee for information.

Mr. Andrew Fremier, Deputy Executive Director, presented to the Committee information in response to a January 25, 2009 newspaper article regarding the ongoing fabrication work for the San Francisco- Oakland East Span Replacement project. The article indicated concerns with the quality of work, potential project delays and changes in the firm under contract to Caltrans for inspections. In regards to the quality of work, the contractor has completed acceptable welds for the tower mock-up and has completed repairs to all welds that were not initially performed to specifications for the u-rib connections to the superstructure. In regard to the firm performing inspection for Caltrans, at the direction of the TBPOC, Caltrans competitively bid the contract for the inspection work since the contract for the original firm performing the inspection work was expiring. The firm selected for the work is fully qualified, is maintaining staff at the fabrication facility, which allows them to be readily available for the inspection work, and is performing the inspection activities well. In regard to project delays, there have been some delays in the fabrication process; however, the TBPOC and the contractor have been developing measures to mitigate those delays. Over the next several months, the TBPOC will be able to determine the impact of the measures that were put into place to mitigate delays on the project schedule.

Other Business/Public Comment/Next Meeting/Adjournment

Chair Kinsey mentioned that he had a recent meeting with Director Kempton, California Department of Transportation, to discuss bicycle and pedestrian access on the Richmond - San Rafael Bridge. He stated that Caltrans made it clear at the meeting that they were unwilling to support bicycle access on the bridge. Chair Kinsey further stated that Director Kempton did agree to visit the region to examine potential design exceptions for highway improvement projects.

There being no further business or public comment, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.